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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )

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Serial No. 09/708,114 )

Filed: November 6, 2000 )

For: **PROGRAMMABLE FIRST-IN  
FIRST-OUT (FIFO) MEMORY  
BUFFER FOR CONCURRENT  
DATA STREAM HANDLING** )

Group Art Unit: 2182

Examiner: Huynh, Kim Ngoc

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
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**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the arguments set forth fully below. Claims 1-46 were previously pending in this Application. Within the Office Action, Claims 1-46 have been rejected. Claims 1-46 are now pending in the application.

**Objections To The Information Disclosure Statement**

It is stated within the Office Action that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 24, 2001 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(b), which requires that each U.S. patent listed in an information disclosure statement must be identified by inventor, patent number, and issue date. It is stated that unless the references have been cited by the examiner on form PTO-892, they have not been considered. The applicants respectfully disagree. A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449, as filed on August 24, 2001, are attached to this response. A copy of each document referred to in the Information Disclosure Statement was also